GOMPERS PLEADS UNIONS' DEFENSI

President of A. F. of L. Attacks Stand of The Washington Herald.

MOTIVES QUESTIONED

Declares That Many Federal and Dis trict Laws Amplify "Class Legislation."

Editor Washington Herald:

The statement contained in your editorial columns of this date unde the esption, "A Difference of Opinion, the caption, "A Difference of Opinion," is exceedingly interesting. Even if it throws no more light upon the subject under discussion, it discloses the fact that your newspaper, which appears each day, requires eighteen days to elapse between the publication of my letter of February 13, published in your issue of February 21, and your statement which appears in today's issue, March 11. To this a reference may not be inappropriate later on. That you received resolutions of

protest against your outgiving in your "editorial" statement which appeared in the Herald, February 19, adopted by the Central Labor Union and one by the Central Labor Union and one or two other local labor unions, is not at all strange or surprising, but rather that the protest was not more general. The men of labor in Washington and claewhere know when they are "stabwhether it be an open enemy or a covert friend, who masks behind a supposed expression of honest "difference of opinion." Men of labor not been prempted, nor do they

have not been prempted, nor do they need any prompting at my hands to resent a wrong, palpable or hidden. You say that within a few dags after the appearance of your "editorial" and my letter, some of your merchandise advertisers told you that some of our labor friends had threatened to boycott their particular stores if they continued to advertise the columns of The Her-ald, and you ask: "What do you know

Cut Off Subscription.

Well, for one, I do not "know" any thing about it. but I candidly tell you that I do not believe it. I think I have means and opportunities of knowing as rell as most men the action of the local labor movement, and it has not been suggested or even hinted directly or indirectly by or to anybody that business men should be asked to withhold their advertising from The Herald, either un-der a "threat" of a boycott or otherwise. This is true, that a number of personal acquaintances, business men and other-wise, in casually meeting me, compli-mented me upon my criticism of your "editorial," and one labor man volun-teered the statement that he had gone to the office of The Herald and canceled subscription.

of the resolutions of protest adopted and acknowledged to have beer received by you was, as you know, furnished to me, and the limit of the ex-pression of disapproval of The Herald's course was that unless fairer treatment in your columns was accorded to the orsized labor movement. The Heral itself unworthy of further would prove itself unworthy of further support by the men of labor. Without here discussing the merits or demerits of any boycott, I suppose it is a fair inference that you would accord the right to the men in the labor movement of their preference in patronising newspapers whose policy they may deem is sufficiently, or ignorantly, or both, antag-

onistic to them.

You address yourself directly to me, and I will answer that it is not at all necessary that you should agree with all or any of my economic theories, nor do you run any risk of loss by dissent from them, but I repeat that men are in the habit of reading the newspaners with which they more nearly agree, and often cut loose from them, believing, justly or that a newspaper in question is un-or hostile to them, their hopes and

And when you intimate that I am a despot, you betray an ignorance or per-verseness for either of which you should be thoroughly ashamed, for all men in public or private life there is no one who stands so helpless in exerting power or self-will as do I. The labor movement of our country, the American Federation of Labor, are voluntary associations, and least of all, power is vested in me. Approves Mexican Policy.

Nor do I think that The Herald has entered into a conspiracy, nor have I suggested it, but that it has been dominated and influenced by the wiles of the dis-reputable National Association of Manufacturers and its allies, I am fully per-

count myself in good company with a large number of American citizens, who the President in his dealing with the Mexican situation, though in that particular you have no great advantage on that score, but I imagine there is no difficulty in detecting the purpose of your injecting your criticism of President Wilson in this upon the other question which you discuss. But this statement affords you discuss. But this statement alteres the opportunity to call attention to the nconsistency which you say that "under

isiation?

The Underwood tariff law recently enacted contained the provision for the income iax, and specifically exempted fraternal societies, building and loan associations, co-operative societies, labor unions, etc., from its payment. That income tax law exempts from its payment all persons whose incomes are less than \$5,000 per year. Is that not class legislation?

The income tax law provides a class of different payments, graduated largely upon the specific incomes of each class. Is that not class legislation?

In not the tariff law in its entirety a piece of class legislation?

Under the laws of the District of Columbia, personal taxes are imposed upon certain classes of people having certain possessions. Is that not class legislation?

One could run the gamut of the Federal, State and local laws, and find no end of class legislation, and yet you, forsooth, would juggle with human lib-erty, with normal human activity, aye, with the human soul fixelf, to save your flamboyant declaration of emphatic opsition to class legislation.

No Difference of Opinion.

You say that you believe in labor unions. That utterance is not strong. It is often declared by those who would be pleased to see the labor unions con-stituted somewhat after the fashion of antagonism of corporate and concentrat ed wealth and power; to exercise the freedom guaranteed by the constitution of our country, the laws of the civilized world; to exercise the normal activities of associated effort to make life the better worth living and to achieve results-economic, material, political and social welfare of the people—the enemies of labor would deny. And it is but a thin veneer to proclaim one's friendship for labor, and aid in the effort to deny the normal, constitutional and natural func

tions of associated effort.

That you worked with your hands before you took up "newspapering," is highly compilmentary to you, but the question of whether its influence lasted is one of interest. It is known that the severest and most cruel task masters in industry are among those who have been taken from the ranks and through favor and circumstance have been raised over the heads of their fellow workers. If as you intimate, the subjects were

If as you intimate, the subjects were a mere "difference of opinion" between us. I should not har interposed by my letter you published in The Herald Feb-ruary 21, or by this, but it is deeper. The question is fundamental and in-volves the principle of freedom, in-volves the principle whether the voluntary associations of men and women to protect their bodies and their minds. protect their bodies and their minds, shall be placed in the same category with corporations, trusts, and mon which deal with and control the products the necessaries of life and

In the beginning of this letter I referred to the length of time elapsing between the publication of my letter of February 19 and your reply of today. Was Mr. Emery, or Mr. Davenport, of the National Association of Manufactur either for preparation or approval?

Very truly yours, SAMUEL GOMPERS,

"BIG STICK" IS ON HORIZON.

basting Wilson Policies.

Paris, March 12.-Theodore Roosevelt's return to America late in April or early in May will be signalized by a slashing attack on the Wilson Mexican policy. The former President foresees a triumph-ant re-entry into New York, and will find it by giving the "watchful waiting" policy a severe battering.

This disclosure was made today by Francis Butler Loomis, diplomatist and friend of Roosevelt, who is nowhere. Loomis said Roosevelt has an excellent chance of being the next Presidential candidate of the Republicans.

continued popularity, but it must be re-membered that Roosevelt is out of the country. Opposition to the administration will be strengthened immediately upon his return, and the Wilson Mexican policy will assume a different aspect when Roosevelt begins to hammer it."

AT HERSCHEL ISLAND.

Seattle, Wash., March 12.-A news dispatch from Dawson City, Yukon Territory, says E. S. Ironsides, collector of er-in-chief of the Canadian arctic exploration expedition, who was there las

The letter says Stefansson has gone back to Herschel Island off the mouth of the Mackenzie River, and intends to start out immediately over the arctic.

\$60,000,000 FOR RUSSIAN ARMY.

St. Petersburg, March 12.-The extraordinary military estimates just submit ted to the Russian Duma amount to over \$60,000,000, showing an increase

This amount is quite apart from the ordinary appropriations for the army.

New Bill in Congress to Fight Against Amendment, Women Say.

SENATORS OPPOSE

Congressional Union Leaders Say Members of Senate Have Admitted Its Existence.

There is another suffrage measure waiting to be substituted for the one pending in Congress just as soon as the latter can be pushed out of the way, according to an emphatic statement yesterday by Miss Doris Stevens, executive secretary of the Congressional Union.

Despite the denial of members of the Congressional committee of the National Congressional committee of the National Suffrage Association, which sis said to be backing the "substitute," Miss Stevens said she had it straight from Senators themselves, who, she said, de-clared they had seen a tentative draft of the committee's bill and had been asked their opinion of it.

Miss Stevens says the new measure provides for a referendum to all the States where women: a not already en-franchised, and that if ratified by the voters of two-t' rds of the States, it is voters of two-t rds of the States, it is to become effective in all. This infor-mation, she said, came from Senators who had read it, and who could speak only from memory. It is said those who handled the draft would not allow it out of their hands.

Denied by Mrs. McCormick.

Miss Sevens says she and Mrs. Antoi-nette Funk, of the Congressional Committee, discussed the matter at the Capi-

about the so-caled substitute bill yester-day, Mrs. Medill McCormick, chairman of the Congressional committee, said: "I have denied that once and that is enough. But I wish you would make it We simply see no chance for its passage. We are in favor of having a vote on it now, though, because if staved off much longer other important business will crowd it out and there will be no other opportunity to vote on it."

Senators most friendly to woman suffrage, who have seen the new bill, as-



service regulations to take part in the big p ression here on May 9. Dismay turned to loy, though, when Civil Service Commissioner McIlhenny announced that suffragists, not as government clerks, but simply as individuals. But he said they should not affiliate with any suffrage or-ganization or take part in propaganda Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Gilman, femi-

nist and author, spoke on suffrage to several hundred women at the Woodward & Lothrop auditorium yesterday morning

"In humanity there is no sex! We ham mer into the minds of our children ideas about men which are brand new; we hammer into them ideas about women which are 40,000 years old. changed our ideas since the beginning of the race about our religion, our trades, our dress; but our attitude toward woman has remained the same.
"Men have taken all the human activities unto themselves as their own spe-cial prerogative and have relegated wom-

en to sex processes exclusively. As a result of this attitude the male of the genus homo is far ahead of the female in human development. Much confusion has followed as a result of the desire of in human development. Much confusion in human development much confusion in the first of the desire of the union believe this alleged move of their rivais will help the union in its fight to stave off a vote on the pending emorphism. We do not the pending emorphism to meet them on an equal basis of human woman suffragists throughout the Capi-

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Ypsilanti, Mich., March 12.-The police departments of all Michigan cities were asked today to aid in locating Blanche Campbell, a pretty seventeen-year-old normal school student, who has been nissing since March 5. Search by relatives and friends since then has been futile. The girl's mother believes she has fallen into the hands of white

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OLD COLONY INSUR-ANCE COMPANY,

On the 31st day of December, 1912, an required under the District of Columbia Code, amended June 30, 1963, and August 18, 1911.

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MRS. MORSE BRINGS PET ANTS. STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION

Southampton, March 12.-Charles W pardoned from the Atlanta penitentiary on the plea that he was near death, said on the Imperator today for New York, accompanied by Mrs. Morse. Mr. Morse was the picture of health as he boarded the ship. His walk was springy, his color excellent and his eye clear. "I have been touring the Continent," he said, and am reterning to America in perfect health.

Mrs. Morse caused one of the steam-

ship officials to become greatly excited Cash in offiwhen she went on board with a large box of pet red ants. One of the officials thought the ants came under the head of live stock, for which a freight charge of live stock for which a freight charge of live and is made by the attention live. 310 a head is made by the steamship line, so So he rushed to the freight agent, but to the latter only laughed and Mrs. Morse was allowed to carry her unique pets

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

August 18, 1914

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E. E. CLARK, President.
6. S. HOLLS, Secretary.
Subscribed and second to before me this 18th day
of February, 1911. W. C. INCE,
(SSeal.) Notary Public in and for the County of
Polk, Des Moines, Iowa.
(My commission expires July 4, 1913.) REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Washington and Southern Bank, t Washington, in the District of Co-lumbia, at the close of business, March 4, 1914.

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I, HENRY C. FINKEL, cashier of the above named bank, do sciennly awar that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HENRY C. FINKEL, cashier of the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and second to be fore me this 12th day of March, 1914.

WM. T. POULL S. Notary Public.

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Morse, the steamship and ice magnate Prudential Insurance Company of America, of Newark, N. J.,

On the 31st day of December, 1913, as required under the District of Co-lumbia Code, amended June 30, 1902, and August 18, 1911.

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Des Moines, Iowa,

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Union Savings Bank, At Washington, in the District of Co-lumbia, at the close of business, March 4, 1914.

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I. C. L. BOWMAN, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. L. BOWMAN, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this th day of the C. D. RATCLIFFE.

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